

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3, 4, 7, and 8, and add new claims 11 and 12, to read as follows:

1. (Original) A tire/wheel assembly having a run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein
an outer peripheral surface of the run-flat support is coated with a resin layer.

2. (Original) A tire/wheel assembly having a run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein
at least a region of an inner peripheral surface of the pneumatic tire facing an outer peripheral surface of the run-flat support is coated with a resin layer.

3. (Currently amended) The tire/wheel assembly according to ~~any one of claims 1 and 2~~claim 1, wherein
the run-flat support has a structure in which elastic rings are attached to end portions of open legs of an annular shell opened in a fork-shape.

4. (Currently amended) The tire/wheel assembly according to ~~any one of claims 1, 2, and 3~~claim 1, wherein
microcapsules containing a lubricant are mixed in the resin layer.

5. (Original) A tire/wheel assembly having a run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein
a cover plate rotatable in a circumferential direction is provided on an outer peripheral surface of the run-flat support.

6. (Original) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 5, wherein
a lubricant and/or a bearing mechanism is interposed between the run-flat support and the cover plate.

7. (Currently amended) The tire/wheel assembly according to ~~any one of claims 5 and 6~~claim 5, wherein

the run-flat support has a structure in which elastic rings are attached to end portions of open legs of an annular shell opened in a fork-shape.

8. (Currently amended) The tire/wheel assembly according to ~~any one of claims 5, 6, and 7~~claim 5, wherein

the cover plate is made of resin.

9. (Original) A run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein

the run-flat support has an outer peripheral surface coated with a resin layer.

10. (Original) A run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein

the run-flat support has an outer peripheral surface on which a cover plate is arranged to be rotatable in a circumferential direction.

11. (New) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 2 wherein

the run-flat support has a structure in which elastic rings are attached to end portions of open legs of an annular shell opened in a fork-shape.

12. (New) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 2, wherein

microcapsules containing a lubricant are mixed in the resin layer.